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File No. 269
1891

Collection No.

Myson Residency

Pros. Nos. 1-14.
Serial

Subject.

Order of the Govt of India re publication
of newspapers & other printed works in
administered Areas.

Residents' order applying the above
order to the c. m. str.

Previous References.

7 15785

7 637/85

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Later References.

537(v)-93.

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The necessary permission has been
asked for in respect of the following
publications, up to date.

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Foreign mail -

English - no small

The "permission" should arrive by
29th May the latest, so that the issues
of 1st June need not be delayed. The

"permission" may be printed, if
approved & kept ready for issue
by 29th of this month. A form
prepared below for approval.

The Resident Officer
Baginbun 29-7-91

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"The Resident in my line authorises
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to edit, print, or publish the
marginally noted publication
in the Censorship of Bangalore
with effect from the 1st August
1891 "

" This authority is liable
at any time to be withdrawn
by the Resident in Mysore "

By order

(Sd) C.W. R.

Resident Bangalore

(Sd)

Sub for power of order.

(Sd) R. H. B.

23/7/91.

Taken up to Resident.
Sub to Resd. Sanction.

(Sd) C.W. R.

25/7.

order no: $\frac{2261-9}{269-91}$ of 30.7.91 issued

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for the several editors of the local papers

(Sd) R. B. 30/7/91

Registration

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1967/1871

Please put up the notification
dealing with the editing &
printing of newspapers in the
C & M station.

Does it provide for the
taking of security?

Yes, his security can be
taken & forfeited.

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No. Security can be taken
under section 8 of the Indian
Press Act 1910, which has not
been applied to the C & M station.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

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NOTES AND PRECIS.

No. 2651-I.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

Simla, the 25th June 1891.

An order respecting the publication of newspapers and other printed works in places administered by the Governor-General in Council but not forming part of British India.

WHEREAS some misapprehension has hitherto existed as to the regulations in force in territory under the administration of the Governor-General in Council but beyond the limits of British India, with reference to newspapers published within such territory, the Governor-General in Council has been pleased to make the following orders:—

1. No newspaper, or other printed work, whether periodical or other, containing public news or comments upon public news, shall, without the written permission for the time being in force of the Political Agent, be edited, printed or published after the first day of August, 1891, in any local area administered by the Governor-General in Council but not forming part of British India.

2. If after the day aforesaid any person shall, without such permission as aforesaid, edit, print or publish any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid in any such local area as aforesaid, the Political Agent may, by order in writing,—

(a) require him to leave such local area within seven days from the date of such order, and

(b) prohibit him from re-entering such local area without the written permission of the Political Agent.

3. If any such order as is mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph be disobeyed, the offender shall be liable to forcible expulsion from such local area in pursuance of an order to be made in writing by the Political Agent.

4. Any written permission granted by a Political Agent for the editing, printing or publishing of any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid may at any time be withdrawn by the Political Agent or any of his successors in office.

5. The expression "Political Agent" has in these orders the meaning assigned thereto by the Foreign Jurisdiction and Extradition Act, 1879, and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882.

(Sd.) H. M. DURAND,

Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 2653-I.

A COPY of the foregoing notification is forwarded to the Resident in Mysore for information.

FOREIGN DEPT.,
SIMLA;
The 25th June 1891. }

By order, &c.,
Sd.) C. ARCHER, *Lieut.*,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

[C. H. L.]

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE

Notification

Under instructions from the Governor-General in Council contained in Foreign Department Notification No. 2651-I, dated the 25th June 1891, the Resident in Mysore has passed the following orders:—

1. No newspaper or other printed work, whether periodical or other, containing public news or comments upon public news, shall, without the written permission for the time being in force of the Resident in Mysore, be edited, printed or published after the first day of August, 1891, in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

2. If after the day aforesaid any person shall, without such permission as aforesaid, edit, print or publish any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore, the Resident in Mysore may, by order in writing,—

(a) require him to leave the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore within seven days from the date of such order, and

(b) prohibit him from re-entering the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore without the written permission of the Resident in Mysore.

3. If any such order as is mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph be disobeyed, the offender shall be liable to forcible expulsion from the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore in pursuance of an order to be made in writing by the Resident in Mysore.

4. Any written permission granted by the Resident in Mysore for the editing, printing or publishing of any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid may at any time be withdrawn by the Resident in Mysore or any of his successors in office.

By Order

CHAS. W. RAVENSHAW, CAPTAIN,
Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

BANGALORE,

Dated 9th July 1891.

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Original in file 269 A., of 1891. (81/6)
Re. Army & Civil News.

Letter No. 6554, dated the 1st November 1911 from
the First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore to the
District Magistrate, Civil and Military Station of
Bangalore.

I am directed to invite a reference to your
letter Conf. No. 10, dated the 19th October 1911, and to
state that the declarations under Section 5 (1) of Act XXV
of 1867, in regard to printing and publishing within the
limits of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore,
should be taken from all presses and publishers in the
form prescribed. I am to add that the taking of such
declarations will in future precede the grant of permis-
sion to publish and that copies of the declarations should
in all cases be furnished to the ----- record.

[D R A F T .] — For approval.

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Dated

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The Secy. to the Government
C. and M. Secy.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose a copy of a notification of the Resident in Mysore intimating the publication in the C. M. Chapter of Bangalore, after the 1st August 1891, of any newspaper or other printed work, without the special permission of the Resident.

2. I am to request that a copy may be sent

to the Editor or publisher
of every paper now in
existence in the C. L.
M. Chetron and a copy
to the Editor or publisher
of every paper that may
hereafter be started
in the State.

Yours etc.

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Ans M. Chetron?

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Copy to the S. S. P. for
information with a copy
of the Instructions referred to.

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Ans M. Chetron?

AN ASTOUNDING ORDER.

TILL yesterday we thought we lived in a free country; that so long as we obeyed the laws we could act as we thought proper. Such is the opinion of most people, but this opinion is far from being correct. We shall show that the Government is above the law; that it can act in direct defiance of it. At the time of the Queen's Jubilee the newspapers were filled with accounts of the progress the country had made during the fifty years Her Majesty had been on the throne. But may not some of this progress be apparent rather than real? From an order that will be found below it will be seen that the clock has been put back just fifty-six years—to the date prior to which Sir CHAS. METCALFE liberated the press. Up to that time the proof sheets of every paper had to be submitted to a press censor who could take out just what he thought proper, the result being that a newspaper had sometimes to appear with a large area of blank space. The same rule holds good in Russia at the present day, but the Government of India has improved on the method, of the Czar, for autocrat as he is, he gives a paper notice before he gives the death blow. But in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore a newspaper after the 1st of next month may at once be stopped, and its Editor deported without any reason being assigned. Before the date mentioned permission is to be asked for a newspaper to be carried on in this Station, and should not this request be made the paper must cease to exist, and the Resident in Mysore may by order in writing require him (the Editor) to leave the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore within seven days from the date of such order and prohibit him from re-entering the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore without the written permission of the Resident in Mysore. More than this we are told "any written permission granted by the Resident in Mysore for the editing, printing or publishing of any such newspapers or other works as aforesaid may at any time be withdrawn by the Resident in Mysore or any of his successors in office."

But this order does not apply to British territory or to Native States. It will only have power in territory over which Political Agents have authority. The newspapers in Madras know nothing about the order, and it will not affect the *Karnataka Prakashika* published in the Petta. This paper is as free to print what it likes in the way of comment, provided it does not break the law, as if it were published in London or New York. It is only in the unfortunate Civil and Military Station that the order applies. If we could see any reason why restrictions should be placed upon the press of the territories mentioned there would be nothing to be said, but no reason can be assigned. It may be said that some of the native papers have abused the liberty given them; but the most violent journals of this class are published in British territory—the worst of all in Calcutta under the very nose of the Government. Men will submit without a murmur to hardships when they are necessary, when they are for the public good. They will rush into battle; they will pay enormous taxation; but they will not submit to the slightest inconvenience imposed on them when they see no reason for it. In the present case the act is purely arbitrary and therefore the Government is wise in not giving reasons for the order as it generally does in such cases.

Probably this order has emanated from some Political whose conduct has been criticised, and the Governor-General in Council has been weak enough to listen to his bad advice. It is well known such men act more autocratically than any other officials of the Government, and they may determine to become absolute, and at once. We assert that no Russian Governor could be entrusted with more absolute powers over the press than will Political Agents in the territories administered by them after the first of next month. The order can only be looked upon as a most cruel attempt to gag the press, and such being the case we have a right to call on our brethren in more favoured places to help us in our protest against it. Their turn may come next should they look quietly on while the journals in the territories in question are being strangled, and then they may repent their timidity and lack of sympathy. When the "iron enters their souls" then they will begin to complain, so we strongly recommend them to assist now, to protest against the ukase that has gone forth, for we fancy it is only a feeble, and should it succeed the whole press will be gagged. The Government like a skillful general is attempting to beat the alleged enemy in detail, and it will be his fault should he be so beaten. The matter must be fought out, and we are determined to do our part in the battle.

Having pointed out the intention of the Government let us see what reason has been assigned for such an arbitrary act. The order simply states that no newspaper, &c. "containing public news or comments on public news shall without a written permission of the Resident be edited, printed or published after the first day of August next in the C. and M. Station of Bangalore without the written permission of the Resident in Mysore." The second and third paras lay down the punishment for disobedience of this order; the fourth para gives the Resident power to withdraw such permission at any time he may think fit. It will thus be seen that no reason whatever has been assigned for interfering with the liberty of the press, and that the power given to the Resident may at any time be exercised by him without assigning any reason for it. Is this in accordance with the advice of the Secretary of State lately given to the Supreme Government, namely, that the worst Native papers should be tolerated, rather than suppressed in order that the feelings of the people might be made known? Further, also, is this in accordance with the common sense, experience and observation of the Government of India itself? It surely knows that to interfere with the liberty of the press is to act the part of a despotic ruler, not that of a paternal Government. We fear the Government is committing a great and grievous error, and it should reconsider the matter if it wishes to retain the confidence of the people, which it professes to do. If it be thought necessary to take away the liberty of the press let us know why and wherefore. We are fully determined the order we give below shall be the last Gaggling Act India shall know.

We herewith give the order in full:—

NOTIFICATION.

Under instructions from the Governor-General in Council contained in Foreign Department Notification No 2651-I, dated the 25th June 1891, the Resident in Mysore has passed the following orders:

1. No newspaper, or other printed work, whether periodical or other, containing public news, or comments upon public news, shall, without the written permission for the time being in force of the Resident in Mysore, be edited, printed, or published after the first day of August, 1891, in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

2. If after the day aforesaid any person shall, without such permission as aforesaid, edit, print, or publish any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid, in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore, the Resident in Mysore may, by order in writing,

(a) require him to leave the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore within seven days from the date of such order; and,

(b) prohibit him from re-entering the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore without the written permission of the Resident in Mysore.

3. If any such order as is mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph be disobeyed, the offender shall be liable to forcible expulsion from the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore in pursuance of an order to be made in writing by the Resident in Mysore.

4. Any written permission granted by the Resident in Mysore for the editing, printing or publishing of any such newspaper or other work as aforesaid may at any time be withdrawn by the Resident in Mysore or any of his successors in office.

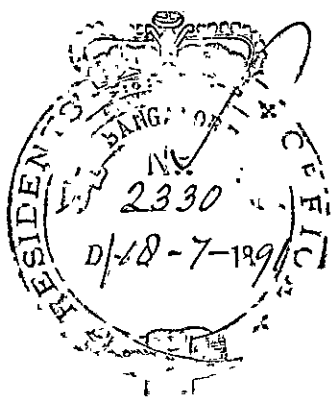
By Order,
CHAS. W. RHYNSHAW, CAPTAIN,
Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

Bangalore,
Dated 26th July 1891.

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Bangalore 16th July 1891.



Sir,

J. W. Mayer Esquire, Senior

Proprietor Daily Post and Bangalore Examiner Press
Bangalore.

To,

Captain C. W. Parkins Shaw

Asst. to the Resident in Mysore
Bangalore

Sir,

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With reference to the Notification from the Office of the Resident in Mysore, No. 404, dated 9th July 1891, received yesterday, I have the honor to solicit your will be so good as to obtain for me, the permission of the British Resident, to continue to print and publish the "Daily Post" and "Bangalore Examiner" Newspapers; also, the "Mysore Vrittanta Bodhini", an Anglo-Canarese Newspaper, which have been, the 2 former, established since June 1873 and the latter since 1859: And all which papers were hitherto registered in the Office of the District Magistrate of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant.

J. W. Mayer Esq.

Proprietor Daily Post and Bangalore Ex^r. Press.



Seikha Jeevany's Office.
Bangalore, 18th July 1891.

The Editor and Publisher of the
Sukha Jeevany, C & M Station
Bangalore

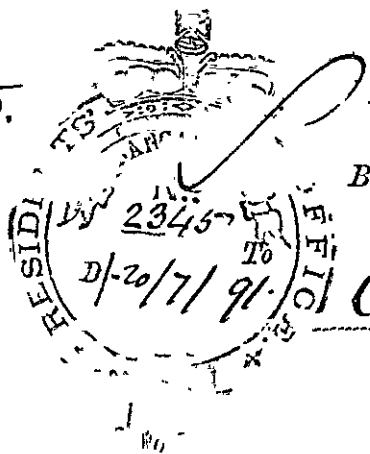
To,

The Assistant to the Resident
in Mysore.

Sir,

In accordance with your Notification
dated 9th Instant, forwarded to me by the District
Magistrate, C & M. Station, Bangalore, under
his no: 413 dated 15th July 1891, I beg that
permission may be granted to publish
the Sukha Jeevany a bi-monthly.

No. 325.



Chamarni Press,
Khasim-ul-Akbar Office,

Bangalore Cantonment, 18th July 1891

Capt. Chas. W. Ravenshaw, B.S.C.
Asst. to the Resident in Mysore
Bangalore.

ESTABLISHED
1859,

The Khasim-ul-Akbar is published
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&c., &c.. &c.

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ence to printing, together with
the payments of subscriptions
and remittances are respectfully
requested to be made to the
Proprietor, Khasim-ul-Akbar,
Bangalore.

Respected Sir,

With reference to the Notification
from the office of the Resident
in Mysore No 403 dated the
9th July 1891. I beg to request
that your honor will be kind
enough to obtain for me
the permission of the Resident
in Mysore to continue to
print and publish the
"Kasim-ul-Akbar" newspapers
which is being in existence
for the last 32 years and
was registered in the Office
of the Asst. Commissary Genl
the then Cantonment
Magistrate of this Station.
If his honor the British Resident
desires to sign any paper
am ready to do so.

Soliciting an early order

I beg to remain

Respected Sir,
Yours most obedt. Servant

Chas. W. Ravenshaw

THE "MORNING STAR" PRESS
C. & M. STATION, INFANTRY ROAD,
BANGALORE 20th JULY, 1891



To

THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

SIR,

Referring to Notification dated the 9th July 1891, we have the honour to request that you will be pleased to grant us permission to continue to print and publish from the 1st day of August 1891, in the Civil and Military Station, a bi-monthly English newspaper styled "*The Railway Times*," and a daily Kanarese newspaper called "*The Suriodhaya*."

2. A copy of each of the above newspaper is is herewith enclosed for your kind inspection.

We beg to remain

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

B. M. Singaslow, Editor of the
"*Railway Times*" and "*The Suriodhaya*."

H. C. W. - H. P. B. S. Printer of the
"*Railway Times*" and "*The Suriodhaya*."

Bangalore

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J. W. Hayes, Esq.,
ADVOCATE
AND
NOTARY PUBLIC.

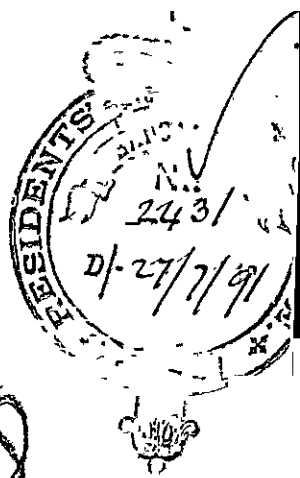
"HAYES COTTAGE."
Bangalore, 21st July 1891.

Captain C. W. Ravenshaw
Asst. to the British Resident
Mysore
Dear Sir,

Referring to my last interview
with you and submission of my applica-
-tion for permission in connection with
the notification, I beg you will be so
kind as to send me the permission
before the 1st Proximo, so that I may
be in order with respect to para I of
the Notification.

Kindly excuse me troubling you

Yours very truly
J. W. Hayes.



Receipt

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These applications

to be submitted
along to the Secretary
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File with
Dept on 24th inst.
File 14/25.11.91

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

Dated 24-7. 1891

Despatched 24-7-91

Camp no. 2

From Manager

From Comy Office at Mysore.

To Registrar

To Rets: Office at at once. —

HD Mr Bangalore.

OFFICIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

Urgent. Scale

Resident wants apprais:
for publishing newspapers
under recent orders subd



Arthur St. L. Holland,
Editor,

"The Daily Post,"
Bangalore, 21st June 1891.

My dear Sir, Will you kindly inform me
the names of the other stations beside
Bangalore and Secunderabad which
come under the operation of the ruling
re: newspaper publications.

Yours faithfully,
Arthur St. L. Holland

Submitted.
for favour of order
file sent to Mysore
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